

Wherefore, I/we claim:

1. A cleaning system comprising:

a bottle for holding a cleaning fluid, a brush for cleaning a desired surface being removably affixed to the bottle by a collar having a bottle attaching portion and a brush securing portion; and

wherein the bottle, brush and collar are assembled and secured together, the collar affixes the brush to the bottle to produce an integral fluid dispensing and scrubbing unit.

2. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 1, further including a communicating passage between the bottle and the brush to facilitate the direct application of the fluid to a desired surface through the brush.

3. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 2, wherein the communicating passageway comprises a tube extending from the bottle into an orifice in a handle of the brush.

4. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 3, wherein the orifice in the brush handle is positioned substantially within a bristle portion of the brush.

5. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a bottle cap for removably covering a spout on the bottle, and a nipple formed integrally with the bottle cap defining an opening for dispensing a fluid contained in the bottle in a desired location.

6. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the bottle attaching portion of the collar defines a first passage sized to securely grasp an outer surface of the bottle cap, and the brush securing portion of the collar defines a second passage sized to securely grasp a handle of the brush.

7. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 3, wherein the second passage in the collar is spaced from the first passage in the collar by an intermediate portion of the collar to align the brush handle immediately adjacent a sidewall of the bottle.

8. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 1, wherein the collar is divided into a first half and a second half along a longitudinal mating axis and a quick release mechanism is provided for releasably securing the first half and the second half together.

9. The cleaning system as set forth in claim 8, wherein the quick release mechanism is a threaded bolt extending through the first half and into a threaded receiver formed in the second half of the collar.

10. A collar for facilitating the attachment of a brush to a bottle, the collar comprising:

a separable first portion and second portion defining a brush handle securing passage and a bottle attaching passage;

a quick release securing device for releasably connecting the separable first portion and second portion to one another.

11. The collar for facilitating the attachment of a brush to a bottle as set forth in claim 10, wherein the bottle attaching passage is sized to be securely affixed to a bottle cap for releasably covering a spout on the bottle and the brush handle securing passage is smaller than the bottle attaching passage and sized to securely receive the brush handle.

12. The collar for facilitating the attachment of the brush to the bottle as set forth in claim 11, wherein the brush handle securing passage is spaced from the bottle attaching passage by an intermediate portion through which the quick release securing device releasably secures the separable first and second portions of the collar to one another.

13. The collar for facilitating the attachment of the brush to the bottle as set forth in claim 12, wherein the brush handle securing passage is substantially square to fit around a generally square brush handle, and the bottle attaching passage is substantially round to at least partially encompass a round outer surface of the bottle cap.

14. The collar for facilitating the attachment of the brush to the bottle as set forth in claim 12, wherein the intermediate portion of the collar defines a bolt receiving passage formed perpendicular relative to the brush handle securing passage and the bottle attaching passage.

15. A method of cleaning tile grout comprising the steps of:

forming an integral fluid dispensing and scrubbing unit made up of a plurality of individual components including:

a bottle for holding a cleaning fluid, a brush for cleaning a desired surface being removably affixed to the bottle by a collar having a bottle attaching portion and a brush securing portion; and

assembling and securing the individual components to one another by the collar to immovably affix the brush to the bottle to produce the integral fluid dispensing and scrubbing unit; and

cleaning the tile grout.

16. The method of cleaning tile grout as set forth in claim 15, further comprising the step of forming a communicating passage between the bottle and the brush to facilitate the direct application of the fluid to a desired surface through the brush.

17. The method of cleaning tile grout as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of extending a tube from the bottle 1 into an orifice in a handle of the brush to form the communicating passageway.

18. The method of cleaning tile grout as set forth in claim 17, further comprising the step of forming the orifice in the handle of the brush positioned substantially within a bristle portion of the brush.